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10/549,680

Filed:

September 19, 2005

Title:

High Homogeneity Silica Glass Prepared

Through a Sol-Gel Procedure

Inventor(s):

Costa, et al.

Atty. Dkt.:

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Dear Sir:

The following documents are being forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS);
- 2. PTO/SB/08a (list of references);
- 3. Reference B1 and C1;
- 4. Check for \$180. for the filing of the IDS; and
- 5. Return Postcard.

Applicants do not believe that any fee is due for the filing of the above documents other than that provided. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency for this filing to our Deposit Account No. 50-4056 under Order No. 7601/84392.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed postcard be stamped with the date the enclosed documents are received by the PTO and that it be returned as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Cited herein on the accompanying list of references is WO 2004/083138 which is the corresponding PCT application for previously cited co-pending US application 10/549,681. Also cited is the International Preliminary Report on Patentability for this PCT application. The citation of these documents is being done out of an abundance of caution and should not be construed as an admission that Applicants necessarily believe them to be material to patentability.

Applicants do not waive any rights to appropriate action to establish patentability over any of the listed documents should they be applied as references against the claims of the present application. This statement should not be construed as a representation that more material information does not exist or that an exhaustive search of the relevant art has been made.

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Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-captioned application are respectfully requested.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the receipt of a first Office Action but before the mailing of a final Office Action, Notice of Allowance or action that otherwise closes prosecution. Applicants have provided the fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(p) (\$180) in their enclosed check. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency to our Deposit Account No. 50-4056 under Order No. 7601/84392.

Respectfully submitted,

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